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1. MATERIAL IN REF A WILL BE USEFUL IN DISCUSSIONS WITH ELZINGA, WHO IS PRESENTLY OUT OF THE COUNTRY. EMBOFF SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH HIM MONDAY, FOLLOWING HIS RETURN.

2. RE PARA 4 REF A, DUTCH ATTITUDE TOWARD CCMS IS PRIMARILY POLITICAL, WITH LITTLE RELATIONSHIP TO TECHNICAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS OR TO MERITS OF INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS. GON HAS ALWAYS FELT NATO IS NOT MOST SUITABLE FORUM FOR CCMS TYPE ACTIVITIES, REFLECTING VIEWS HELD BY VARIOUS POLITICAL LEADERS, PRIMARILY LEFT WING. WE BELIEVE, THEREFORE, THAT IT IS PREFERABLE TO APPROACH QUESTION OF DUTCH CCMS PARTICIPATION BY STRESSING PRACTICAL VALUE TO DUTCH OF PARTICIPATION IN INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS.

3. TO THIS END WE WOULD CONSIDER VISITS HERE BY RANKING US OFFICIALS ASSOCIATED WITH TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF CCMS PROJECTS VERY USEFUL. IN DISCUSSIONS OF PROBLEMS WITH APPROPRIATE MINISTERIAL LEVEL OFFICIALS, IMPORTANCE OF CCMS WORK COULD BE UNDERLINED ON TECHNICAL GROUNDS AND CONTROVERSIAL POLITICAL ISSUE COULD THUS BE SET ASIDE. AMBASSADOR HAS ACCORDINGLY ARRANGED FOR DEPUTY USREP AND DEPUTY DOT SEC BARNUM TO VISIT NETHERLANDS THURSDAY, OCT 16 TO SPEAK WITH KEY DUTCH OFFICIALS AND PRESS AT EMBASSY SPONSORED EVENT. WE WILL WELCOME, AND WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S IDENTIFYING SIMILAR VISITORS WHO CAN SPEAK TO CCMS GOALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS AND THEIR IMPORTANCE TO THE NETHERLANDS.
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